Mr. S. Venkatesiah.—Medical Inspection cannot be done on the very elaborate scale now prescribed. Just the condition of the children should be reported on. The details of inspection should be decreased.

Reply of Government.—This suggestion is noted. The question of revising and extending the scheme is under consideration.

SUBJECT No. 119.

Government Buildings for schools in villages.

Mr. G. Ramappa, Srinivaspur Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Government may provide Government buildings in villages where the schools have been regularly working for the last twenty years.

Reply of Government.—A list of such schools will be made showing the strength of the classes, etc., and if they are found to be in a flourishing condition, Government will have no objection to take up these schools in preference to others.

Mr. G. Ramappa.—The limit of 20 years need not be insisted upon.

SUBJECT No. 120.

Increasing accommodation in schools.

Mr. B. K. Garudachar, Bangalore City Municipal Council.

Summary of discussion.—In proportion to the increase of school-going children in the cities and district headquarters, the building accommodation is not increased. The average space required for a student is so far decreased that the health of students is failing. In the interests of the country, it is very necessary that proper accommodation should be provided early.

Mr. R. Gopalaswami Iyer.—In Bangalore City, a few schools are maintained by Government and a few schools are maintained by the Municipality. Some of the schools are held in buildings not meant for the purpose and not suitably altered either and the school houses are consequently very congested and otherwise unsuitable. Proper accommodation should be provided where necessary now; and in future accommodation should be provided first and then compulsory education introduced.

Reply of Government.—Government accept the suggestion and are prepared to issue orders to that effect.

SUBJECT No. 121.

Making Kannada the first language in the Mysore University.

Messrs. Channaveerappa, Sangana Basappa, Shikarpur Taluk; and Halappa, Shikarpur Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—Kannada may be made the first language in the Mysore University as Urdu is in the Osmania University of Hyderabad.

Dewan.—This is a matter for the Senate to settle.

Mr. H. Krishna Sastry.—Government should take public opinion as well. This is a Kannada country and Kannada should be a compulsory subject of study in the University. A recommendation to this effect may be made to the University.

Temporary Member.—The matter was considered in the Education Committee and it was decided that instruction in the University should be in English.

Dewan.—This is not an easy matter. Kannada Education from the very bottom has to be improved and has to be linked with higher education. Also whether the medium of instruction should be Kannada is a very controversial matter. We shall wait and see how the Hyderabad scheme works.

Mr. C. Srinivasa Rao.—In Kolar, telugu is spoken. In C. and M. Station tamil is prevalent. It is not possible to make Kannada compulsory to all people in the State.

Reply of Government.—That is the view of Government. As there is a large section of the population which does not speak kannada it will not be right to compel them to take kannada. Kannada however has been given sufficient prominence in the University. Most of the students take kannada as the compulsory second language. Government therefore cannot at present commit themselves to the policy proposed. Any of the members here who are also on the Senate of the University may move the question in the University and if they recommend, Government will consider.

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SUBJECT No. 122.

Encouragement of Local Trades and Industries.

Messrs. Mahommed Sait, A. Krishna Rao, M. Venkatakrishnaiya and N. Desikachar, Mysore City Municipal Council.

Summary of discussion.—*Mr. Ananthaiah.*—To encourage local trades and industries in the State, all articles required for use in Government and other offices may be purchased to the extent available from local merchants and all orders placed with them for supply of articles so far as they are able to supply.

Reply of Government.—There is an order of Government on this subject. Last year the Dewan made a statement that the order should be brought to the notice of Heads of Departments. In all cases of purchase from outside a certificate is required that the particular article is not available locally. Local merchants should also be a little more enterprising. Government will be very much pleased if they come forward and undertake work. Government are prepared to issue a circular that local merchants should have the first chance of getting orders.

SUBJECT No. 123.

(1) Standardization of weights and measures.

(2) Sale of Standard Measures in Taluk Offices.

(1) Messrs. C. Venkataramaiya, G. Padmarajaiya, Channarayapatna Taluk.

(2) Mr. Anjaneya Setti, Pavagada Taluk.

(1) *Summary of discussion.*—There is no uniformity in the weights and measures now in use. Rules may be passed for the use of only standard weights and measures and any infringement of the rules made punishable.

(2) Standard measures may be made available for sale in taluk offices for the convenience of petty traders in rural parts, who cannot otherwise easily procure them.

Mr. Padmarajaiya.—Some legislation should be made in respect of stamping weights and measures.